I Don’t Understand! Can you speak English?

(10 pts.)

This is a very important lesson! Do not forget it or you will really be in trouble!

**First, log on to: www.survivalphrases.com**

**Second, choose the language of your country.**

**Third, download the PDF file for these particular languages, complete the worksheet below and then listen to the Audio file.**

**Arabic, Chinese, French, Italian, Spanish Lesson #7**

**German, Hindi, Russian Lesson #8**

**1. How do you say: “I don’t understand.” in your culture/language?**

I don’t understand is ‘ya ni panimayu’.

**2. Is there a difference between how a man or a woman says it?**

No, there is no difference.

**3. Are there any extra words which would make your expression more realistic?**

You can add unfortunately to the statement making it “Unfortunately I don’t understand”. You would say this as “K sazhaleniya ya ni panimayu”.

**4. Are there any gestures associated with this phrase that will let people know you don’t understand or just don’t know?**

Yes, you can shrug your shoulders.

**5. How do you say “Can you speak English?” in your language? (Hint: you may need to check out both lesson 7 and 8 or search for the question in the Search bar on the website!)**

Can you speak English is “Vy gavarite pa angliyski”.